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State, County and MSA Unemployment Report

Indiana Unemployment Rate Holds Steady in April

INDIANAPOLIS (May 25, 2006) – Indiana’s unemployment rate held steady in April at 4.9 percent, according to the monthly report released today by the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. Nationally, the unemployment rate also remained unchanged at 4.7 percent in March and April.

The state’s 4.9 percent seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for April 2006 is down from 5.2 percent one year ago.

“These figures indicate that the Indiana economy continues to hold its own especially when compared to a year ago,” said Ron Stiver, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. “In addition, our unemployment rate continues to be lower than our neighboring Midwestern states, and with the long list of recent job announcements, the future continues to look bright.”

The number of employed Hoosiers on a seasonally adjusted basis in April 2006 was 3,092,600 compared with 3,028,900 in April 2005 and 3,015,755 in January 2005.

Seasonally Adjusted:

Indiana’s seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for April was 4.9 percent, unchanged from March, and down from 5.1 percent in February. The rate for the U.S. for April 2006 was 4.7 percent, unchanged from one month earlier.

For the month of April, Indiana’s Midwest neighboring states reported the following unemployment rates: Kentucky, 6.1 percent; Illinois, 5.1 percent; Ohio, 5.5 percent; Michigan, 7.2 percent.

For the month of April the state’s estimated seasonally adjusted labor force total was 3,252,000. The number of Hoosier workers employed during April was 3,092,600 and the number of unemployed Hoosiers during April was 159,500. March revised data marked Indiana’s labor total at 3,261,100 with 3,099,800 employed and 161,300 unemployed.

Non-Seasonally Adjusted:

Using the same data and reporting non-seasonally adjusted employment trends, Indiana’s April non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.8 percent, which is down four-tenths of a percentage point from one year ago, when it was 5.2 percent.

The U.S. non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.5 percent for the month of April, down three-tenths of a percentage point from the previous month and down four-tenths of a percentage point from a year ago. Of Indiana’s neighboring states reporting non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rates, Kentucky’s rate was 5.9 percent and Illinois’ rate was 5.0 percent. Ohio reported an unemployment rate of 5.4 percent, while Michigan’s rate was reported to be 6.8 percent.

The Indiana Department of Workforce Development is charged with continually improving the Hoosier workforce by assisting companies to create new jobs and improve worker skills. The agency offers a variety of training and educational grants, partners with Indiana's 26 WorkOne Centers, administers the unemployment insurance system, provides labor market information, assists employers with preparing workers for layoffs and closures and operates a statewide job placement service.

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Technical Notes

-In calculating unemployment rates, two different types of numbers are provided. The first, known as the non-seasonally adjusted rate, estimates employment and unemployment without taking into account the effects of seasonal trends. In calculating the seasonally adjusted rate, or employment that follows more or less a regular pattern each year, holiday, summer and other types of seasonal employment is factored out of the estimate. These adjustments make it easier to observe the cyclical and other non-seasonal movements.

-Compiled in conjunction with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the State's unemployment rate is derived from a national survey of about 60,000 households. Of that number approximately 1,300 Indiana households are polled each month. Given the small size of the Indiana sample, they are often considered preliminary estimates. For most accurate analysis, please use revised data sets and not preliminary estimates.

-The Household survey that calculates the unemployment rate is conducted by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and is conducted during the week of the 12th of the month.

-Labor force is calculated as the number of people 16 years of age and older who were able and available to work.

*Note to Media: The federal government collects two types of information about changes in the U.S. labor force. **Jobs** statistics measure the number of positions (jobs) in U.S. businesses created or lost over a specified period of time, and come from government surveys of payroll records. For this reason, these statistics do not capture information about changes in the number of self-employed persons, business owners, and farm workers. **Employment** statistics come from surveys of U.S. households, and distinguish whether individuals in those households are working (employed) or not working (unemployed). These statistics include the self-employed, business owners, and farm workers. (Note: Individuals are counted as being employed only once, even if they hold more than one job.) The unemployment rate is calculated from these statistics.*

The Indiana Department of Workforce Development believes that employment statistics are the best measure of the status of a state, regional, or local labor force, because it measures people working rather than positions created, and because it includes the self-employed (including business owners) and farm workers.

INDIANA VS. U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

Seasonally Adjusted

Indiana	<i>April, 2006</i>	<i>March, 2006</i>	<i>February, 2006</i>	<i>April, 2005</i>
Labor Force	3,252,000	3,261,100	3,273,800	3,196,100
Employed	3,092,600	3,099,800	3,105,500	3,028,900
Unemployed	159,500	161,300	168,300	167,300
Rate	4.9	4.9	5.1	5.2

U.S.

Rate	4.7	4.7	4.8	5.1
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Non-Seasonally Adjusted

Indiana	<i>April, 2006</i>	<i>March 2006</i>	<i>April, 2005</i>
Labor Force	3,242,400	3,238,300	3,191,700
Employed	3,086,200	3,063,600	2,024,600
Unemployed	156,200	174,700	167,100
Rate	4.8	5.4	5.2
U.S.			
Rate	4.5	4.8	4.9

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

CPS BENCHMARK: 2005

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EMPLOYMENT BENCHMARK: 2005

THESE ESTIMATES ARE PREPARED IN COOPERATION WITH THE U. S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS (BLS) AND HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED TO THE CURRENT POPULATION SURVEY (CPS) FOR USE IN ALLOCATING FEDERAL FUNDS. BECAUSE OF IRREGULAR FLUCTUATIONS IN MONTH TO MONTH CHANGES, THE READER SHOULD USE CAUTION WHEN VIEWING THESE ESTIMATES AS INDICATORS OF ECONOMIC CHANGE.

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>Seasonally Adjusted RATE</u>
U.S.					
April 2006	0	0	0	0.0	4.7
March 2006	149,686,000	141,994,000	7,692,000	5.1	4.8
April 2005 (Benchmark)	147,745,000	139,759,000	7,986,000	4.7	5.1
INDIANA					
April 2006	3,242,400	3,086,200	156,200	4.8	4.9
March 2006	3,238,300	3,063,600	174,700	5.4	5.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	3,171,400	2,984,100	187,300	4.9	5.5
<u>METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS</u>					
ANDERSON MSA					
April 2006	64,220	60,520	3,700	5.8	
March 2006	64,400	60,130	4,270	6.6	
April 2005 (Benchmark)	63,330	59,570	3,760	5.9	
BLOOMINGTON MSA					
April 2006	96,370	92,210	4,160	4.3	
March 2006	96,720	91,920	4,800	5.0	
April 2005 (Benchmark)	96,090	91,310	4,780	5.0	
COLUMBUS MSA					
April 2006	37,640	36,030	1,610	4.3	
March 2006	37,940	36,100	1,840	4.8	
April 2005 (Benchmark)	37,100	35,360	1,740	4.7	
ELKHART-GOSHEN MSA					
April 2006	102,870	98,650	4,220	4.1	
March 2006	102,640	98,010	4,630	4.5	
April 2005 (Benchmark)	101,050	96,800	4,250	4.2	
EVANSVILLE MSA					
April 2006	184,770	176,600	8,170	4.4	
March 2006	183,910	174,960	8,950	4.9	
April 2005 (Benchmark)	182,010	173,110	8,900	4.9	
FORT WAYNE MSA					
April 2006	214,910	204,840	10,070	4.7	
March 2006	214,520	203,390	11,130	5.2	
April 2005 (Benchmark)	209,700	198,960	10,740	5.1	
GARY					
April 2006	332,790	315,500	17,290	5.2	
March 2006	334,620	313,560	21,060	6.3	
April 2005 (Benchmark)	327,420	308,970	18,450	5.6	
INDIANAPOLIS-CARMEL MSA					
April 2006	883,310	845,160	38,150	4.3	
March 2006	881,530	840,110	41,420	4.7	
April 2005 (Benchmark)	870,990	829,260	41,730	4.8	
KOKOMO MSA					
April 2006	47,290	44,220	3,070	6.5	
March 2006	47,160	43,860	3,300	7.0	
April 2005 (Benchmark)	47,050	44,220	2,830	6.0	
LAFAYETTE MSA					
April 2006	96,800	92,930	3,870	4.0	
March 2006	96,660	92,260	4,400	4.6	
April 2005 (Benchmark)	94,790	90,520	4,270	4.5	
MICHIGAN CITY MSA					
April 2006	54,430	51,360	3,070	5.6	
March 2006	54,510	50,980	3,530	6.5	
April 2005 (Benchmark)	52,910	49,800	3,110	5.9	

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
MUNCIE MSA				
April 2006	56,240	52,950	3,290	5.8
March 2006	56,110	52,520	3,590	6.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	56,660	52,900	3,760	6.6
SOUTH BEND MSA				
April 2006	165,020	157,020	8,000	4.8
March 2006	166,010	157,050	8,960	5.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	161,010	152,920	8,090	5.0
TERRE HAUTE MSA				
April 2006	81,770	76,750	5,020	6.1
March 2006	81,940	76,460	5,480	6.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	81,030	75,670	5,360	6.6
<u>COUNTIES</u>				
ADAMS				
April 2006	16,790	16,080	710	4.2
March 2006	16,690	15,880	810	4.8
April 2005 (Benchmark)	16,510	15,720	790	4.8
ALLEN (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
April 2006	182,030	173,310	8,720	4.8
March 2006	181,580	172,070	9,510	5.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	177,550	168,330	9,220	5.2
BARTHOLOMEW (COLUMBUS MSA)				
April 2006	37,640	36,030	1,610	4.3
March 2006	37,940	36,100	1,840	4.8
April 2005 (Benchmark)	37,100	35,360	1,740	4.7
BENTON (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
April 2006	4,820	4,600	220	4.5
March 2006	4,830	4,570	260	5.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	4,700	4,485	215	4.6
BLACKFORD				
April 2006	6,970	6,550	420	6.1
March 2006	6,910	6,440	470	6.8
April 2005 (Benchmark)	6,840	6,395	445	6.5
BOONE (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
April 2006	26,990	26,070	920	3.4
March 2006	27,050	25,920	1,130	4.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	26,640	25,590	1,050	4.0
BROWN (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
April 2006	8,150	7,770	380	4.6
March 2006	8,245	7,725	520	6.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	8,035	7,625	410	5.1
CARROLL (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
April 2006	10,890	10,370	520	4.8
March 2006	10,910	10,290	620	5.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	10,620	10,100	520	4.9
CASS				
April 2006	19,540	18,510	1,030	5.3
March 2006	19,460	18,290	1,170	6.0
April 2005 (Benchmark)	19,350	18,290	1,060	5.5
CLARK (LOUISVILLE MSA)				
April 2006	53,780	51,140	2,640	4.9
March 2006	53,650	50,790	2,860	5.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	52,630	50,000	2,630	5.0
CLAY (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
April 2006	13,370	12,640	730	5.4
March 2006	13,370	12,600	770	5.8
April 2005 (Benchmark)	13,350	12,470	880	6.6
CLINTON				
April 2006	17,130	16,270	860	5.0
March 2006	17,330	16,330	1,000	5.8
April 2005 (Benchmark)	16,760	15,840	920	5.5

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
CRAWFORD				
April 2006	5,530	5,160	370	6.7
March 2006	5,590	5,110	480	8.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	5,390	5,035	355	6.6
DAVISS				
April 2006	15,260	14,740	520	3.4
March 2006	15,100	14,510	590	3.9
April 2005 (Benchmark)	14,930	14,330	600	4.0
DEARBORN (CINCINNATI MSA)				
April 2006	26,600	25,300	1,300	4.9
March 2006	26,490	25,130	1,360	5.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	25,890	24,690	1,200	4.6
DECATUR				
April 2006	12,850	12,310	540	4.2
March 2006	12,850	12,240	610	4.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	12,690	12,060	630	5.0
DEKALB				
April 2006	22,210	20,970	1,240	5.6
March 2006	22,210	20,850	1,360	6.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	21,820	20,580	1,240	5.7
DELAWARE (MUNCIE MSA)				
April 2006	56,240	52,950	3,290	5.8
March 2006	56,110	52,520	3,590	6.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	56,660	52,900	3,760	6.6
DUBOIS				
April 2006	22,670	21,860	810	3.6
March 2006	22,450	21,560	890	4.0
April 2005 (Benchmark)	22,320	21,470	850	3.8
ELKHART (ELKHART-GOSHEN)				
April 2006	102,870	98,650	4,220	4.1
March 2006	102,640	98,010	4,630	4.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	101,050	96,800	4,250	4.2
FAYETTE				
April 2006	11,540	10,690	850	7.3
March 2006	11,860	10,950	910	7.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	11,450	10,490	960	8.4
FLOYD (LOUISVILLE MSA)				
April 2006	37,820	36,020	1,800	4.8
March 2006	37,800	35,770	2,030	5.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	37,080	35,210	1,870	5.0
FOUNTAIN				
April 2006	9,135	8,695	440	4.8
March 2006	8,930	8,450	480	5.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	8,870	8,410	460	5.2
FRANKLIN (CINCINNATI MSA)				
April 2006	12,060	11,450	610	5.1
March 2006	12,130	11,370	760	6.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	11,860	11,170	690	5.8
FULTON				
April 2006	10,720	10,190	530	4.9
March 2006	10,510	9,910	600	5.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	10,450	9,930	520	5.0
GIBSON (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
April 2006	17,410	16,730	680	3.9
March 2006	17,330	16,580	750	4.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	17,200	16,390	810	4.7
GRANT				
April 2006	33,500	31,210	2,290	6.8
March 2006	33,670	31,220	2,450	7.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	33,530	30,710	2,820	8.4

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GREENE (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
April 2006	16,930	16,010	920	5.4
March 2006	17,010	15,960	1,050	6.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	16,930	15,860	1,070	6.3
HAMILTON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
April 2006	128,030	124,450	3,580	2.8
March 2006	127,710	123,700	4,010	3.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	125,850	122,110	3,740	3.0
HANCOCK (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
April 2006	33,950	32,570	1,380	4.1
March 2006	33,900	32,380	1,520	4.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	33,270	31,950	1,320	4.0
HARRISON (LOUISVILLE MSA)				
April 2006	19,530	18,530	1,000	5.1
March 2006	19,580	18,390	1,190	6.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	19,160	18,110	1,050	5.5
HENDRICKS (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
April 2006	68,480	66,110	2,370	3.5
March 2006	68,220	65,720	2,500	3.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	67,410	64,860	2,550	3.8
HENRY				
April 2006	23,220	21,920	1,300	5.6
March 2006	23,220	21,780	1,440	6.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	23,290	21,750	1,540	6.6
HOWARD (KOKOMO MSA)				
April 2006	39,120	36,500	2,620	6.7
March 2006	39,010	36,200	2,810	7.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	38,870	36,490	2,380	6.1
HUNTINGTON				
April 2006	21,070	20,080	990	4.7
March 2006	20,910	19,840	1,070	5.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	20,690	19,600	1,090	5.3
JACKSON				
April 2006	22,550	21,580	970	4.3
March 2006	22,230	21,200	1,030	4.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	22,310	21,240	1,070	4.8
JASPER (GARY)				
April 2006	15,390	14,630	760	5.0
March 2006	15,500	14,540	960	6.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	15,120	14,330	790	5.2
JAY				
April 2006	11,860	11,340	520	4.4
March 2006	11,830	11,230	600	5.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	11,640	11,010	630	5.4
JEFFERSON				
April 2006	17,680	16,890	790	4.5
March 2006	17,570	16,700	870	4.9
April 2005 (Benchmark)	17,470	16,590	880	5.0
JENNINGS				
April 2006	14,170	13,350	820	5.8
March 2006	14,140	13,210	930	6.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	13,930	13,050	880	6.3
JOHNSON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
April 2006	69,790	67,270	2,520	3.6
March 2006	69,730	66,870	2,860	4.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	68,930	66,000	2,930	4.2
KNOX				
April 2006	19,620	18,800	820	4.2
March 2006	19,520	18,600	920	4.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	19,310	18,410	900	4.7

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KOSCIUSKO				
April 2006	42,500	40,600	1,900	4.5
March 2006	41,980	40,000	1,980	4.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	41,110	39,350	1,760	4.3
LAGRANGE				
April 2006	17,640	16,870	770	4.4
March 2006	17,450	16,550	900	5.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	17,190	16,390	800	4.6
LAKE (GARY)				
April 2006	228,640	216,100	12,540	5.5
March 2006	230,170	214,770	15,400	6.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	225,270	211,640	13,630	6.1
LA PORTE (MICHIGAN CITY MSA)				
April 2006	54,430	51,360	3,070	5.6
March 2006	54,510	50,980	3,530	6.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	52,910	49,800	3,110	5.9
LAWRENCE				
April 2006	22,670	21,110	1,560	6.9
March 2006	22,660	20,880	1,780	7.8
April 2005 (Benchmark)	22,480	20,790	1,690	7.5
MADISON (ANDERSON MSA)				
April 2006	64,220	60,520	3,700	5.8
March 2006	64,400	60,130	4,270	6.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	63,330	59,570	3,760	5.9
MARION (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
April 2006	468,340	444,910	23,430	5.0
March 2006	466,950	442,250	24,700	5.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	462,220	436,540	25,680	5.6
MARSHALL				
April 2006	23,150	22,000	1,150	5.0
March 2006	22,960	21,710	1,250	5.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	22,710	21,550	1,160	5.1
MARTIN				
April 2006	5,070	4,800	270	5.3
March 2006	5,060	4,750	310	6.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	5,115	4,860	255	4.9
MIAMI				
April 2006	17,780	16,790	990	5.6
March 2006	17,600	16,500	1,100	6.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	17,400	16,360	1,040	6.0
MONROE (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
April 2006	67,430	64,780	2,650	3.9
March 2006	67,640	64,580	3,060	4.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	67,140	64,140	3,000	4.5
MONTGOMERY				
April 2006	20,060	19,260	800	4.0
March 2006	19,870	18,970	900	4.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	19,760	18,880	880	4.5
MORGAN (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
April 2006	37,770	36,050	1,720	4.6
March 2006	37,820	35,830	1,990	5.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	37,180	35,370	1,810	4.9
NEWTON (GARY)				
April 2006	7,195	6,865	330	4.6
March 2006	7,230	6,820	410	5.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	7,050	6,725	325	4.6
NOBLE				
April 2006	24,000	22,680	1,320	5.5
March 2006	23,850	22,390	1,460	6.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	23,810	22,450	1,360	5.7

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OHIO (CINCINNATI MSA)				
April 2006	3,195	3,045	150	4.7
March 2006	3,175	3,025	150	4.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	3,100	2,975	125	4.1
ORANGE				
April 2006	9,505	8,745	760	8.0
March 2006	9,535	8,705	830	8.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	9,125	8,460	665	7.3
OWEN (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
April 2006	12,000	11,420	580	4.9
March 2006	12,070	11,380	690	5.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	12,020	11,310	710	5.9
PARKE				
April 2006	8,240	7,810	430	5.2
March 2006	8,050	7,545	505	6.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	8,150	7,640	510	6.2
PERRY				
April 2006	9,900	9,420	480	4.9
March 2006	9,865	9,330	535	5.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	9,660	9,150	510	5.3
PIKE				
April 2006	6,325	6,075	250	3.9
March 2006	6,280	5,990	290	4.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	6,330	5,970	360	5.7
PORTER (GARY)				
April 2006	81,570	77,910	3,660	4.5
March 2006	81,720	77,420	4,300	5.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	79,990	76,300	3,690	4.6
POSEY (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
April 2006	14,090	13,540	550	3.9
March 2006	14,030	13,410	620	4.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	13,880	13,260	620	4.4
PULASKI				
April 2006	7,335	7,025	310	4.2
March 2006	7,070	6,710	360	5.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	7,150	6,825	325	4.6
PUTNAM (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
April 2006	17,750	16,950	800	4.5
March 2006	17,800	16,850	950	5.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	17,730	16,630	1,100	6.2
RANDOLPH				
April 2006	13,230	12,280	950	7.2
March 2006	13,220	12,240	980	7.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	13,120	12,070	1,050	8.0
RIPLEY				
April 2006	15,150	14,440	710	4.7
March 2006	15,050	14,290	760	5.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	14,870	14,130	740	5.0
RUSH				
April 2006	9,865	9,440	425	4.3
March 2006	9,710	9,235	475	4.9
April 2005 (Benchmark)	9,580	9,140	440	4.6
SAINT JOSEPH (SOUTH BEND MSA)				
April 2006	136,580	129,990	6,590	4.8
March 2006	137,340	129,960	7,380	5.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	133,480	126,710	6,770	5.1
SCOTT				
April 2006	11,630	10,850	780	6.7
March 2006	11,610	10,820	790	6.8
April 2005 (Benchmark)	11,310	10,650	660	5.8

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SHELBY (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
April 2006	24,060	23,020	1,040	4.3
March 2006	24,110	22,880	1,230	5.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	23,730	22,580	1,150	4.8
SPENCER				
April 2006	10,760	10,220	540	5.0
March 2006	10,600	9,980	620	5.8
April 2005 (Benchmark)	10,540	9,940	600	5.6
STARKE				
April 2006	10,920	10,200	720	6.6
March 2006	10,840	10,010	830	7.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	10,670	9,940	730	6.8
STEUBEN				
April 2006	17,220	16,210	1,010	5.9
March 2006	17,160	16,010	1,150	6.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	16,940	15,910	1,030	6.1
SULLIVAN (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
April 2006	9,330	8,800	530	5.7
March 2006	9,380	8,770	610	6.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	9,325	8,680	645	6.9
SWITZERLAND				
April 2006	5,820	5,605	215	3.7
March 2006	5,775	5,520	255	4.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	5,710	5,475	235	4.1
TIPPECANOE (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
April 2006	81,090	77,960	3,130	3.9
March 2006	80,920	77,400	3,520	4.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	79,470	75,940	3,530	4.4
TIPTON (KOKOMO MSA)				
April 2006	8,170	7,725	445	5.5
March 2006	8,150	7,665	485	6.0
April 2005 (Benchmark)	8,180	7,725	455	5.5
UNION				
April 2006	4,015	3,805	210	5.3
March 2006	3,925	3,680	245	6.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	3,855	3,650	205	5.3
VANDERBURGH (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
April 2006	92,630	88,440	4,190	4.5
March 2006	92,170	87,610	4,560	4.9
April 2005 (Benchmark)	91,240	86,650	4,590	5.0
VERMILLION (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
April 2006	8,125	7,645	480	5.9
March 2006	8,200	7,615	585	7.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	8,085	7,530	555	6.8
VIGO (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
April 2006	50,940	47,660	3,280	6.4
March 2006	50,990	47,480	3,510	6.9
April 2005 (Benchmark)	50,270	46,990	3,280	6.5
WABASH				
April 2006	17,990	17,020	970	5.4
March 2006	17,790	16,740	1,050	5.9
April 2005 (Benchmark)	17,880	16,700	1,180	6.6
WARREN				
April 2006	4,980	4,805	175	3.5
March 2006	4,930	4,715	215	4.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	4,790	4,595	195	4.1
WARRICK (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
April 2006	30,450	29,310	1,140	3.7
March 2006	30,330	29,030	1,300	4.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	30,030	28,710	1,320	4.4

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WASHINGTON (LOUISVILLE MSA)				
April 2006	14,330	13,410	920	6.4
March 2006	14,370	13,310	1,060	7.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	13,860	13,110	750	5.4
WAYNE				
April 2006	33,150	31,180	1,970	5.9
March 2006	33,260	31,040	2,220	6.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	33,230	30,940	2,290	6.9
WELLS (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
April 2006	15,060	14,480	580	3.8
March 2006	15,070	14,380	690	4.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	14,750	14,070	680	4.6
WHITE				
April 2006	12,370	11,730	640	5.2
March 2006	12,090	11,350	740	6.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	12,150	11,460	690	5.6
WHITLEY (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
April 2006	17,830	17,060	770	4.3
March 2006	17,870	16,940	930	5.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	17,410	16,570	840	4.8
<u>CITIES (Population over 25,000)</u>				
ANDERSON CITY				
April 2006	27,800	26,110	1,690	6.1
March 2006	27,930	25,940	1,990	7.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	27,500	25,700	1,800	6.6
BLOOMINGTON CITY				
April 2006	37,050	35,660	1,390	3.8
March 2006	37,160	35,550	1,610	4.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	36,930	35,320	1,610	4.4
CARMEL CITY				
April 2006	30,600	29,950	650	2.1
March 2006	30,480	29,770	710	2.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	30,050	29,380	670	2.2
COLUMBUS CITY				
April 2006	19,630	18,760	870	4.4
March 2006	19,760	18,800	960	4.8
April 2005 (Benchmark)	19,360	18,410	950	4.9
EAST CHICAGO CITY				
April 2006	10,830	9,980	850	7.9
March 2006	10,920	9,910	1,010	9.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	10,750	9,770	980	9.1
ELKHART CITY				
April 2006	26,500	25,120	1,380	5.2
March 2006	26,420	24,960	1,460	5.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	26,130	24,660	1,470	5.6
EVANSVILLE CITY				
April 2006	60,880	57,750	3,130	5.1
March 2006	60,620	57,200	3,420	5.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	60,050	56,570	3,480	5.8
FISHERS TOWN				
April 2006	33,000	32,270	730	2.2
March 2006	32,880	32,090	790	2.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	32,430	31,670	760	2.3
FORT WAYNE CITY				
April 2006	114,030	108,080	5,950	5.2
March 2006	113,650	107,310	6,340	5.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	111,080	104,980	6,100	5.5
GARY CITY				
April 2006	37,360	34,550	2,810	7.5
March 2006	37,320	34,340	2,980	8.0
April 2005 (Benchmark)	36,900	33,840	3,060	8.3

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GOSHEN CITY				
April 2006	16,040	15,360	680	4.2
March 2006	15,960	15,250	710	4.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	15,710	15,070	640	4.1
GREENWOOD CITY				
April 2006	23,350	22,480	870	3.7
March 2006	23,330	22,350	980	4.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	23,080	22,060	1,020	4.4
HAMMOND CITY				
April 2006	35,380	33,100	2,280	6.4
March 2006	35,830	32,900	2,930	8.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	34,940	32,420	2,520	7.2
HOBART CITY				
April 2006	13,990	13,240	750	5.3
March 2006	14,070	13,160	910	6.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	13,770	12,960	810	5.8
INDIANAPOLIS CITY (CONS)				
April 2006	429,780	408,220	21,560	5.0
March 2006	428,390	405,780	22,610	5.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	424,210	400,540	23,670	5.6
INDIANAPOLIS CITY (CORE)				
April 2006	424,520	403,390	21,130	5.0
March 2006	423,170	400,980	22,190	5.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	419,180	395,800	23,380	5.6
JEFFERSONVILLE CITY				
April 2006	15,150	14,400	750	5.0
March 2006	15,090	14,300	790	5.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	14,840	14,080	760	5.1
KOKOMO CITY				
April 2006	21,270	19,560	1,710	8.0
March 2006	21,230	19,400	1,830	8.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	21,060	19,560	1,500	7.1
LAFAYETTE CITY				
April 2006	33,570	32,110	1,460	4.4
March 2006	33,510	31,870	1,640	4.9
April 2005 (Benchmark)	32,890	31,280	1,610	4.9
LAWRENCE TOWN				
April 2006	23,080	22,140	940	4.1
March 2006	23,050	22,000	1,050	4.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	22,770	21,710	1,060	4.6
MARION CITY				
April 2006	13,290	12,210	1,080	8.1
March 2006	13,340	12,210	1,130	8.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	13,260	12,020	1,240	9.4
MERRILLVILLE TOWN				
April 2006	16,350	15,540	810	5.0
March 2006	16,520	15,440	1,080	6.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	16,080	15,210	870	5.4
MICHIGAN CITY CITY				
April 2006	15,010	14,060	950	6.3
March 2006	15,040	13,940	1,100	7.3
April 2005 (Benchmark)	14,580	13,620	960	6.6
MISHAWAKA CITY				
April 2006	26,770	25,520	1,250	4.7
March 2006	26,870	25,520	1,350	5.0
April 2005 (Benchmark)	26,120	24,880	1,240	4.7
MUNCIE CITY				
April 2006	31,150	29,180	1,970	6.3
March 2006	31,060	28,940	2,120	6.8
April 2005 (Benchmark)	31,360	29,150	2,210	7.1
NEW ALBANY CITY				
April 2006	18,620	17,580	1,040	5.6
March 2006	18,660	17,460	1,200	6.4
April 2005 (Benchmark)	18,240	17,190	1,050	5.7

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NOBLESVILLE CITY				
April 2006	19,540	18,880	660	3.4
March 2006	19,600	18,780	820	4.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	19,240	18,530	710	3.7
PORTAGE CITY				
April 2006	17,910	16,940	970	5.4
March 2006	17,940	16,840	1,100	6.1
April 2005 (Benchmark)	17,530	16,590	940	5.3
RICHMOND CITY				
April 2006	17,140	16,120	1,020	5.9
March 2006	17,200	16,040	1,160	6.7
April 2005 (Benchmark)	17,240	16,000	1,240	7.2
SCHERERVILLE TOWN				
April 2006	15,440	14,880	560	3.6
March 2006	15,490	14,780	710	4.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	15,230	14,570	660	4.3
SOUTH BEND CITY				
April 2006	49,570	46,750	2,820	5.7
March 2006	49,830	46,740	3,090	6.2
April 2005 (Benchmark)	48,530	45,570	2,960	6.1
TERRE HAUTE CITY				
April 2006	26,900	24,970	1,930	7.2
March 2006	26,910	24,880	2,030	7.6
April 2005 (Benchmark)	26,540	24,620	1,920	7.2
VALPARAISO CITY				
April 2006	15,160	14,540	620	4.1
March 2006	15,190	14,440	750	4.9
April 2005 (Benchmark)	14,910	14,230	680	4.6
WEST LAFAYETTE CITY				
April 2006	14,340	13,890	450	3.1
March 2006	14,300	13,790	510	3.5
April 2005 (Benchmark)	14,060	13,530	530	3.7

- NOTES: 1) UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ARE COMPUTED FROM UNROUNDED DATA.
2) COUNTY DATA MAY NOT ADD TO TOTALS DUE TO ROUNDING.
3) ESTIMATES FOR THE LATEST YEAR ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION EARLY THE FOLLOWING CALENDAR YEAR.

*Starting with January 2005 data, new MSA definitions are used. These will be revised back to 2000

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RANKING OF COUNTY DATA

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RANK	AREA	RATE	RANK	AREA	RATE
1	ORANGE	8	47	ALLEN	4.8
2	FAYETTE	7.3	48	CARROLL	4.8
3	RANDOLPH	7.2	49	FLOYD	4.8
4	LAWRENCE	6.9	50	FOUNTAIN	4.8
5	GRANT	6.8	51	SAINT JOSEPH	4.8
6	CRAWFORD	6.7	52	HUNTINGTON	4.7
7	HOWARD	6.7	53	OHIO	4.7
8	SCOTT	6.7	54	RIPLEY	4.7
9	STARKE	6.6	55	BROWN	4.6
10	VIGO	6.4	56	MORGAN	4.6
11	WASHINGTON	6.4	57	NEWTON	4.6
12	BLACKFORD	6.1	58	BENTON	4.5
13	STEUBEN	5.9	59	JEFFERSON	4.5
14	VERMILLION	5.9	60	KOSCIUSKO	4.5
15	WAYNE	5.9	61	PORTER	4.5
16	DELAWARE	5.8	62	PUTNAM	4.5
17	JENNINGS	5.8	63	VANDERBURGH	4.5
18	MADISON	5.8	64	JAY	4.4
19	SULLIVAN	5.7	65	LAGRANGE	4.4
20	DEKALB	5.6	66	BARTHOLOMEW	4.3
21	HENRY	5.6	67	JACKSON	4.3
22	LAPORTE	5.6	68	RUSH	4.3
23	MIAMI	5.6	69	SHELBY	4.3
24	LAKE	5.5	70	WHITLEY	4.3
25	NOBLE	5.5	71	ADAMS	4.2
26	TIPTON	5.5	72	DECATUR	4.2
27	CLAY	5.4	73	KNOX	4.2
28	GREENE	5.4	74	PULASKI	4.2
29	WABASH	5.4	75	ELKHART	4.1
30	CASS	5.3	76	HANCOCK	4.1
31	MARTIN	5.3	77	MONTGOMERY	4
32	UNION	5.3	78	GIBSON	3.9
33	PARKE	5.2	79	MONROE	3.9
34	WHITE	5.2	80	PIKE	3.9
35	FRANKLIN	5.1	81	POSEY	3.9
36	HARRISON	5.1	82	TIPPECANOE	3.9
37	CLINTON	5	83	WELLS	3.8
38	JASPER	5	84	SWITZERLAND	3.7
39	MARION	5	85	WARRICK	3.7
40	MARSHALL	5	86	DUBOIS	3.6
41	SPENCER	5	87	JOHNSON	3.6
42	CLARK	4.9	88	HENDRICKS	3.5
43	DEARBORN	4.9	89	WARREN	3.5
44	FULTON	4.9	90	BOONE	3.4
45	OWEN	4.9	91	DAVISS	3.4
46	PERRY	4.9	92	HAMILTON	2.8
				INDIANA	4.8

